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Dental Institutes
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) the number of public institutions, Government aided institutions and unaided private institutions providing dental education;

(b) the number of dental surgeons in the country being provided degree by the said institutions every year;

(c) the amount of funds spent by the Government on the said institutions;

(d) whether the private institutions are playing an important role in increasing the unemployment in this sector despite the Government spending so much amount of funds and if so, whether the Government proposes to close such institutions and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government for the welfare of dentists keeping in view the problems being faced by unemployed dentists?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) & (b): There are 313 Dental Colleges in the country, out of which 47 are Government and 266 are Private. The total number of BDS seats is 27060.

(c): Such information is not maintained centrally in respect of colleges under the State/UT Governments. Expenditure on private dental colleges is borne by the respective management.

(d) & (e): The matter of employment comes under the domain of the respective State Governments/ Union Territories. There is no such proposal for closing down the private dental colleges.

The Central Government has launched National Oral Health Program in the year 2014-15 to strengthen public health facilities to provide oral health care delivery. Support is provided to the States under NHM.